



PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08049.0008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Oscar Lee Avant et al.

Serial No.: 09/652,709

Filed: August 31, 2000

For: APPARATUS AND METHODS
FOR IDENTIFYING AND
PROCESSING MAIL USING AN
IDENTIFICATION CODE

)
)
) Group Art Unit: 3653

)
) Examiner: Daniel K. Schlak
)
)

Elho
1/29/02
Ed 1m

RECEIVED

JAN 29 2002

GROUP 3600

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the
Restriction Requirement of November 27, 2001. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

01/24/2002 DTESSEM1 00000061 09652709

01 FC:115

110.00 OP

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

Dated: January 18, 2002

By: *Lionel M. Lavenue*

Lionel M. Lavenue
Reg. No. 46,859

FINNEGAN
HENDERSON
FARABOW
GARRETT &
DUNNER LLP

1300 I Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005
202.408.4000
Fax 202.408.4400
www.finnegan.com